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5 **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**
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INVENTION: "INTEGRATED CIRCUIT ARRANGEMENT AND METHOD FOR
THE MANUFACTURE THEREOF"

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15 SIR:
In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant requests that citation and examination of the following references be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

I. **SUBMITTED REFERENCES**

20 AA United States Patent No. 5,416,343
AB United States Patent No. 4,832,789
AC United States Patent No. 5,698,902
AD United States Patent No. 4,945,067
AE United States Patent No. 5,441,915
25 AF United States Patent No. 5,698,902
AL European Patent Application No. 0 661 744
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AR D. Widmann, et al., "Technologie hochintegrierter Schaltungen", 2d. Edition,
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II. EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

References AA, AB, AC, AD, AE, AF, AL, AM and AR were cited during earlier PCT examination proceedings. A translation of the reference AR, which is in German, is not readily available, however, a summary of its teachings is in the specification.

5 Since references AA, AB, AC, AD, AE, AF, AL and AM are in English, no further commentary concerning their teachings is necessary.

Reference AR was also cited for the reasons noted in the Applicant's specification.

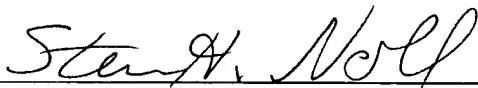
None of the above references discloses or suggests an integrated circuit arrangement or method for the manufacture thereof as disclosed in the present invention.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98. Except as provided, the undersigned does not possess English translations of the non-English references.

15 This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted simultaneously with the filing of the present application, and is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b) and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is
20 therefore respectfully requested.

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